



REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are replaced before action with claims 21-35, drawn to RNA embodiments.

The specification is amended to insert the citation to the journal reference into the correct location.

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APPENDIX 1

A marked up copy of the amended paragraph spanning pages 18-19 is shown below, with additions underlined and deleted text in brackets.

The plasmid vector may contain multiple promoters to enhance expression efficiency. Moreover, a plasmid vector may include IRES sequence (internal ribosome entry site) between different DNA coding sequences, allowing for the translation of more than one peptide from the same transcript. Coding sequences can be associated with secretory sequences in the vector to enhance expression levels. In another embodiment of the invention, the vector may comprise an extrachromosomal replicating vector. See, e.g. Calos, TIG 12:463 (1996). In a further embodiment, RNA carries the coding sequence of antiangiogenic genes. [See, e.g. Calos, TIG 12:463 (1996).] These and other techniques to optimize expression are known to those in the art.

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